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DESCRIPTIONHuman Peroxisome Proliferator Activated ReceptorCross Reference to Related Application

This application is a continuation-in-part of Application Docket No. 202/041, titled "Human Peroxisome Proliferator Activated Receptor," filed October 22, 1993, by Mukherjee, the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

Field of the Invention

This invention relates to the cloning and uses of a human peroxisome proliferator activated receptor.

Background of the Invention

5 A peroxisome proliferator is an agent that induces peroxisomal proliferation. Peroxisome proliferators are a diverse group of chemicals which include unsaturated fatty acids, hypolipidemic drugs, herbicides, leukotriene antagonists, and plasticizers (for a review, see Green,  
10 S., 43 Biochem. Pharmacol. 393-400, 1992). Hypolipidemic drugs such as clofibrate have been found to lower triglycerides and cholesterol levels in plasma and to be beneficial in the prevention of ischaemic heart disease in individuals with elevated levels of cholesterol (Havel,  
15 R.J. and Kane, J.P., 13 Ann. Rev. Pharmac. 287-308, 1973). Therapeutic use of such drugs, however, is questioned because clofibrate are carcinogens in rats.

20 Peroxisome proliferator activated receptor (PPAR) is a member of the steroid receptor family. It is activated by peroxisome proliferators. Issemann and Green, 347 Nature 645, 1990, cloned a mouse peroxisome proliferator activated receptor (mPPAR) gene from a mouse liver complementary DNA (cDNA) library. Göttlicher et al., 89 Proc. Nat. Acad. Sci. USA 4653-4657, 1992, cloned a rat  
25 peroxisome proliferator activated receptor (rPPAR) gene from a rat liver cDNA library. PPARs from mouse and rat share 97% homology in amino acid sequence and a

particularly well-conserved putative ligand-binding domain. Three members of the *Xenopus* nuclear hormone receptor superfamily have also been found to be structurally and functionally related to the mPPAR 5 (Dreyer et al., 68 Cell 879-887, 1992).

Schmidt et al., 6 Molecular Endocrinology 1634-1641, 1992, cloned a steroid hormone receptor gene, NUC1, from a human osteosarcoma cell cDNA library. The homology between amino acid sequence of NUC1 and that of the mouse 10 PPAR is only 62%. Thus, although it is clear that NUC1 is a member of the PPAR receptor group, it remains to be determined whether NUC1 is the human homolog of the mouse PPAR or a new member of the PPAR family.

Sher et al., 32 Biochemistry 5598-5604, 1993, cloned 15 a human PPAR gene from a human liver cDNA library. This clone has 85% nucleotide sequence homology and 91% amino acid sequence homology with the mPPAR clone.

#### Summary of the Invention

The present invention relates to the cloning of a 20 human PPAR gene, hPPAR1. The protein encoded by hPPAR1 has 92% homology with the mouse PPAR. It is different from the human PPAR cloned by Sher et al., *supra*, at two locations in the amino acid sequence, i.e., amino acids 268 and 296.

25 The hPPAR1 clone can be used for the expression of large amounts of hPPAR1. This human PPAR clone is also useful for screening compounds for improved pharmacological profiles for the treatment of hyperlipidemia with higher potency, efficacy, and fewer 30 side effects. Specifically, the human PPAR clone can be used to screen for compounds active as primary endogenous inducers of the human PPAR. In addition, it is useful for establishing the tissue specific expression pattern of human PPAR. For example, a Northern blot can be used to 35 reveal tissue specific expression of the gene to aid treatment of diseases such as atherosclerosis.

Thus, in a first aspect, the invention features a purified nucleic acid encoding a human PPAR with the nucleotide base sequence shown in Figure 1, and given as SEQ ID NO. 1. By purified nucleic acid is meant that the 5 nucleic acid is separated from its natural environment and from other nucleic acids.

In a second aspect, the present invention features a vector containing the human PPAR gene. This vector may be used for multiplication of the human PPAR gene or 10 expression of the human PPAR gene.

In a preferred embodiment, the vector is an expression vector. In one example, the expression vector is used to make a recombinant human PPAR nucleic acid, which can be used as a specific probe for DNA or RNA 15 complementary to the human PPAR sequence. In another example, the expression vector is used to express human recombinant PPAR protein.

By vector is meant a plasmid or viral DNA molecule into which either a cDNA or a genomic DNA sequence is 20 inserted.

By expression vector is meant a vector that directs protein synthesis from a promoter. In a preferred embodiment, either vector pBacPAK8 (Clontech) or vector pBacPAK9 (Clontech) is used to express the human PPAR in 25 insect cells. In another preferred embodiment, vector pYES2 (Invitrogen) is used to express the human PPAR in yeast cells. In yet another preferred embodiment, pBKCMV (Stratagene) is used to express the human PPAR in mammalian cells.

30 By recombinant human PPAR is meant a non-naturally expressed human PPAR.

Other features and advantages of the invention will be apparent from the following description of the preferred embodiments thereof, and from the claims.

Description of the Preferred EmbodimentsDrawings

Figure 1 is the nucleotide and amino acid sequence of hPPAR1; and

5 Figure 2 is a comparison of the amino acid sequences of hPPAR1 and the mouse PPAR.

What follows is an example of the cloning of a human PPAR. Those of ordinary skill in the art will recognize that equivalent procedures can be readily used to isolate 10 human PPAR from cDNA libraries or genomic libraries of other tissues than that exemplified below, namely the liver.

In general, the cloning of the human PPAR involved probing a human liver cell cDNA library with a labeled 15 EcoRI-BglII fragment (nucleotides 450-909) of the rat PPAR (459 bases). The sequence of the probe is shown in Göttlicher et al. supra.

The recipes for buffers, mediums, and solutions in the following examples are given in J. Sambrook, E. F. 20 Fritsch, and T. Maniatis, Molecular Cloning: A Laboratory Manual, 2 Ed., Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, Cold Spring Harbor, New York, 1989.

Example 1: Cloning of a human PPAR

A human PPAR subtype, hPPAR1, was cloned from a human 25 liver 5'-stretch cDNA library (Clontech #HL1115a) in lambda gt10 phages. C600-Hfl coli (Clontech) was grown overnight in LB broth supplemented with 0.2% maltose. A required amount of phage (corresponding to 2 million plaques) was mixed with 200 microliters of 10 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>/10 30 mM CaCl<sub>2</sub>, and 1.5 milliliters of the overnight C600-Hfl coli and incubated at 37°C for 30 minutes. Soft LB agarose was added at 48°C, mixed and poured onto prewarmed 22x22 cm rectangular LB agar plates and incubated overnight at 37°C.

35 Plaque lifts were performed by chilling the plates at 4°C to harden the top agarose and prevent it from peeling,

marking a nylon or nitrocellulose filter on the surface contacting the plaques, laying the filter on the surface without trapped air bubbles, and leaving it for about a minute. A number of asymmetric dots were inserted with 5 Indian ink with a syringe and needle so that the ink soaked into the agar. The sheets were then peeled gently away, and laid plaque side up on two sheets of Whatman 3MM soaked in denaturing solution, and left for about 2 minutes. The sheets were then peeled away and immersed in 10 a standard neutralizing solution for 5 minutes, immersed in 5X SSC, air dried, and baked at 80°C under vacuum, for 2 hours.

The filters were prehybridized in 40% formamide, 5X SSC, 0.1 % SDS, 1X Denhardt, and 100 ng/ml denatured 15 salmon sperm DNA at 37°-42°C for 1 hour. Labeled DNA probe (1 million cpm/ml) was denatured by heating at 100°C for 10 minutes, chilled, and then added to the prehybridization solution, and hybridized at 37°-42°C overnight. The filters were washed in 2X SSC and, 0.1% 20 SDS at 42°C or higher temperature.

Positive plaques were identified and purified by rescreening two more times. The probe was labeled by nick-translation.

Phage stocks were made by isolating and removing a 25 well separated plaque with the narrow end of an autoclaved Pasteur pipette, immersing it in 1 ml of standard SM buffer, and adding a drop of chloroform. This was left for a few hours at room temperature (20°C-24°C) or overnight at 4°C, vortexed, and centrifuged.

30 The cDNA insert was amplified by polymerase chain reactions (PCR). 20 microliters of phage stock was used in 100 microliters of standard PCR reaction buffer, by adding all components except Polymerase. This mixture was heated to 99°C, and Vent DNA polymerase (Biolabs) was 35 added to start the PCR cycles. The PCR conditions were 95°C 1 minute, 72°C 1 minute, 72°C 3 minutes (1 minute per

kilobase) for 30 cycles, 72°C 5 minutes, and kept at 4°C till further utilized.

The applicant isolated a clone from the cDNA library using an EcoR1-BglII fragment (nucleotides 450-909) of the 5 rat PPAR (459 bases) as a probe and the hybridization conditions provided above. This clone was purified and its sequence defined. This sequence is shown in Figure 1, and as SEQ. ID. NO. 1. Figure 2 is a comparison of mPPAR and hPPAR1 amino acid sequences with those amino acids 10 having identity between the two sequences enclosed in blocks.

Example 2: Northern blot analysis

A human multiple tissue Northern blot was purchased from Clontech. Screening was done following the 15 manufacturer's protocol. The blot was prehybridized in 5X SSPE, 10X Denhardt's solution, 100 $\mu$ g/ml of freshly denatured salmon sperm DNA, 50% formamide and 2% SDS for 3 hours at 42°C. DNA from the EcoR1 site at position 1025 of the coding region to the end of the cloned gene was 20 used as probe (see Figure 1). This DNA was labeled by random priming, boiled and added at a concentration of 1 million cpm/ml of prehybridization solution. Hybridization was carried out for 13 hours at 42°C. The blot was then washed in 2X SSC, 0.05% SDS at room 25 temperature followed by two washes in 0.1X SSC, 0.1% SDS at 50°C and exposed to X-ray film.

A specific band of about 10 kilobase was observed in all tissues except the brain. Maximal expression was observed in skeletal muscle, followed by heart, placenta, 30 pancreas, liver, kidney, and lung. The expression of hPPAR1 gene is therefore observed in tissues known to express PPARs in other species.

## SEQUENCE LISTING

(1) GENERAL INFORMATION:

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(ii) TITLE OF INVENTION: HUMAN PEROXISOME  
PROLIFERATOR  
ACTIVATED RECEPTOR

15 ACTIVATED RECEPTOR

(iii) NUMBER OF SEQUENCES: 3

**(iv) COMPUTER READABLE FORM:**

25 (v) CURRENT APPLICATION DATA:

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(vi) PRIOR APPLICATION DATA:

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(B) FILING DATE: 26-OCT-1993

35 (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 1:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

40 (A) LENGTH: 1407 base pairs  
(B) TYPE: nucleic acid  
(C) STRANDEDNESS: single  
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

## (ii) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION : SEQ ID NO: 1:

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5	CTC GAG GCC GGC GAT CTA GAG AGC CCG TTA TCT GAA GAG	78
	Leu Glu Ala Gly Asp Leu Glu Ser Pro Leu Ser Glu Glu	
	15 20 25	
10	TTC CTG CAA GAA ATG GGA AAC ATC CAA GAG ATT TCG CAA	117
	Phe Leu Gln Glu Met Gly Asn Ile Gln Glu Ile Ser Gln	
	30 35	
	TCC ATC GGC GAG GAT AGT TCT GGA AGC TTT GGC TTT ACG	156
	Ser Ile Gly Glu Asp Ser Ser Gly Ser Phe Gly Phe Thr	
	40 45 50	
15	GAA TAC CAG TAT TTA GGA AGC TGT CCT GGC TCA GAT GGC	195
	Glu Tyr Gln Tyr Leu Gly Ser Cys Pro Gly Ser Asp Gly	
	55 60 65	
	TCG GTC ATC ACG GAC ACG CTT TCA CCA GCT TCG AGC CCC	234
	Ser Val Ile Thr Asp Thr Leu Ser Pro Ala Ser Ser Pro	
	70 75	
20	TCC TCG GTG ACT TAT CCT GTG GTC CCC GGC AGC GTG GAC	273
	Ser Ser Val Thr Tyr Pro Val Val Pro Gly Ser Val Asp	
	80 85 90	
25	GAG TCT CCC AGT GGA GCA TTG AAC ATC GAA TGT AGA ATC	312
	Glu Ser Pro Ser Gly Ala Leu Asn Ile Glu Cys Arg Ile	
	95 100	
	TGC GGG GAC AAG GCC TCA GGC TAT CAT TAC GGA GTC CAC	351
	Cys Gly Asp Lys Ala Ser Gly Tyr His Tyr Gly Val His	
	105 110 115	
30	GCG TGT GAA GGC TGC AAG GGC TTC TTT CGG CGA ACG ATT	390
	Ala Cys Glu Gly Cys Lys Gly Phe Phe Arg Arg Thr Ile	
	120 125 130	
	CGA CTC AAG CTG GTG TAT GAC AAG TGC GAC CGC AGC TGC	429
	Arg Leu Lys Leu Val Tyr Asp Lys Cys Asp Arg Ser Cys	
	135 140	
35	AAG ATC CAG AAA AAG AAC AGT TTC AAA TGC CAG TAT TGT	468
	Lys Ile Gln Lys Lys Asn Arg Asn Lys Cys Gln Tyr Cys	
	145 150 155	
	CGA TTT CAC AAG TGC CTT TCT GTC GGG ATG TCA CAC AAC	507
40	Arg Phe His Lys Cys Leu Ser Val Gly Met Ser His Asn	
	160 165	

170	175	180	546
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GAA GAT TCT GAA ACT GCA GAT CTC AAA TCT CTG GCC AAG Glu Asp Ser Glu Thr Ala Asp Leu Lys Ser Leu Ala Lys			
10	200	205	624
AGA ATC TAC GAG GCC TAC TTG AAG AAC TTC AAC ATG AAC Arg Ile Tyr Glu Ala Tyr Leu Lys Asn Phe Asn Met Asn			
210	215	220	663
15	225	230	702
AAG GTC AAA GCC CGG GTC ATC CTC TCA GGA AAG GCC AGT Lys Val Lys Ala Arg Val Ile Leu Ser Gly Lys Ala Ser			
235	240	245	741
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250	255	260	780
AAT GGC ATC CAG AAC AAG GAG GCG GAG GTC CGC ATC TTT Asn Gly Ile Gln Asn Lys Glu Ala Glu Val Arg Ile Phe			
265	270	275	819
25	CAC TCG TGC CAG TGC ACG TCA GTG GTG ACC GTC ACG GAG His Cys Cys Gln Cys Thr Ser Val Glu Thr Val Thr Glu		
275	280	285	858
30	CTC ACG GAA TTC GCC AAG GCC ATC CCA GGC TTC GCA AAC Leu Thr Glu Phe Ala Lys Ala Ile Pro Gly Phe Ala Asn		
290	295	300	897
TTG GAC CTG AAC GAT CAA GTG ACA TTG CTA AAA TAC GGA Leu Asp Leu Asn Asp Gln Val Thr Leu Leu Lys Tyr Gly			
300	305	310	936
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320	325	330	975
AAC AAA GAC GGG ATG CTG GTA GCG TAT GGA AAT GGG TTT Asn Lys Asp Gly Met Leu Val Ala Tyr Gly Asn Gly Phe			
330	335	340	1014
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340	345	350	1053

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	Cys Asp Ile Met Glu Pro Lys Phe Asp Phe Ala Met Lys	
	355	360
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	365	370
	375	
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	380	385
	390	
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	395	400
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	Ile Val His Val Leu Arg Leu His Leu Gln Ser Asn His	
15	405	410
	415	
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	Pro Asp Asp Ile Phe Leu Phe Pro Lys Leu Leu Gln Lys	
	420	425
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20	Met Ala Asp Leu Arg Gln Leu Val Thr Glu His Ala Gln	
	430	435
	440	
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	Leu Val Gln Ile Ile Lys Lys Thr Glu Ser Asp Ala Ala	
	445	450
	455	
25	CTG CAC CCG CTA CTG CAG GAG ATC TAC AGG GAC ATG TAC	1404
	Leu His Pro Leu Leu Gln Glu Ile Tyr Arg Asp Met Tyr	
	460	465
	TGA	1407

(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 2:

### 30 (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

(A) LENGTH: 468 amino acids  
(B) TYPE: amino acid  
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

35 (ii) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION : SEQ ID NO: 2

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30 35

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55 60 65

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70 75

Ser Ser Val Thr Tyr Pro Val Val Pro Gly Ser Val Asp  
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135 140

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30 210 215 220

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250 255 260

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315 320 325

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330 335

Ile Thr Arg Glu Phe Leu Lys Ser Leu Arg Lys Pro Phe  
340 345 350

15 Cys Asp Ile Met Glu Pro Lys Phe Asp Phe Ala Met Lys  
355 360

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365 370 375

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380 385 390

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Ile Val His Val Leu Arg Leu His Leu Gln Ser Asn His  
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420 425

Met Ala Asp Leu Arg Gln Leu Val Thr Glu His Ala Gln  
430 435 440

30 Leu Val Gln Ile Ile Lys Lys Thr Glu Ser Asp Ala Ala  
445 450 455

Leu His Pro Leu Leu Gln Glu Ile Tyr Arg Asp Met Tyr  
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## (2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID NO: 3:

## (i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:

5 (A) LENGTH: 468 amino acids  
(B) TYPE: amino acid  
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

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Met Val Asp Thr Glu Ser Pro Ile Cys Pro Leu Ser Pro  
5 10

Leu Glu Ala Asp Asp Leu Glu Ser Pro Leu Ser Glu Glu  
10 15 20 25

Phe Leu Gln Glu Met Gly Asn Ile Gln Glu Ile Ser Gln  
30 35

Ser Ile Gly Glu Glu Ser Ser Gly Ser Phe Gly Phe Ala  
40 45 50

15 Asp Tyr Gln Tyr Leu Gly Ser Cys Pro Gly Ser Glu Gly  
55 60 65

Ser Val Ile Thr Asp Thr Leu Ser Pro Arg Ser Ser Pro  
70 75

20 Ser Ser Val Ser Cys Pro Val Ile Pro Ala Ser Thr Asp  
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Glu Ser Pro Gly Ser Ala Leu Asn Ile Glu Cys Arg Ile  
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Cys Gly Asp Lys Ala Ser Gly Tyr His Tyr Gly Val His  
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160 165

35 Ala Ile Arg Phe Gly Arg Met Pro Arg Ser Glu Lys Ala  
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Lys Leu Lys Ala Glu Ile Leu Thr Cys Glu His Asp Leu  
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Lys Asp Ser Glu Thr Ala Asp Leu Lys Ser Leu Gly Lys  
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5 Lys Val Lys Ala Arg Val Ile Leu Ala Gly Lys Thr Ser  
225 230

Asn Asn Pro Pro Phe Val Ile His Asp Met Glu Thr Leu  
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250 255 260

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265 270

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Leu Asp Leu Asn Asp Gln Val Thr Leu Leu Lys Tyr Gly  
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Asn Lys Asp Gly Met Leu Ile Ala Tyr Gly Asn Gly Phe  
330 335

Ile Thr Arg Glu Phe Leu Lys Asn Leu Arg Lys Pro Phe  
340 345 350

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355 360

Phe Asn Ala Leu Glu Leu Asp Asp Ser Asp Ile Ser Leu  
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395 400

Ile Val His Val Leu Lys Leu His Leu Gln Ser Asn His  
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35 Pro Asp Asp Thr Phe Leu Phe Pro Lys Leu Leu Gln Lys  
420 425

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Met Val Asp Leu Arg Gln Leu Val Thr Glu His Ala Gln  
430 435 440

Leu Val Gln Val Ile Lys Lys Thr Glu Ser Asp Ala Ala  
445 450 455

5 Leu His Pro Leu Leu Gln Glu Ile Tyr Arg Asp Met Tyr  
460 465 468

What is claimed is:

1. Purified nucleic acid comprising the nucleotide sequence shown in SEQ ID NO. 1.
2. A vector comprising said nucleic acid of claim 1.
3. Recombinant PPAR expressed from said nucleic acid of claim 1.

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A G A C A A G C G A T T C G T T T G	G A C G A T G C C	A A G A T C T G A G	A A G A C C A A A C	T G A A G C A G A	A A T T C T T A C	T G T G A A C T A G	A C A T A G A A G A	T T C T G A A A C T	T C T G A A A C T
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G C G A G A T C T C A A A T C T C G C	T A C G A G G C C T	A C T T G A A G G C A T	A C T T G A A G G A A	C T T C A C A T G	A A C A A G G T C A	A A G C C G G G T	C A T C T C T C A	G G A A G G C C A	G G A A G G C C A
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A E V R I F H C C Q C T S V E T V T E L T E L T	A K A 1 P G F A N L	A K A 1 P G F A N L	A K A 1 P G F A N L	A K A 1 P G F A N L	A K A 1 P G F A N L	A K A 1 P G F A N L	A K A 1 P G F A N L	A K A 1 P G F A N L	A K A 1 P G F A N L
G A C C T G A A C G A T C A A G T G A C	A T G G C A C T A T G G G A G T T	A T G G G C C A T	A T T G G C C A T	C T G I C T C T G	T G A T G A A C A A	A G A C G G G A T G	C T G G T A G C G T	1000	1000
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C A G G A G G T A T T G T A C A T G T	G C T G A G A T C	G A C C T G C A C C	G G A A C C A C C	T T T C T C T C C	C A A A C T C T C	T C A A A A A T G	G C A G A C C T C C	1300	1300
Q E G I V H V L R L H L Q S N H P D D F L F P K L L Q K M A D L R	Q E G I V H V L R L H L Q S N H P D D F L F P K L L Q K M A D L R	Q E G I V H V L R L H L Q S N H P D D F L F P K L L Q K M A D L R	Q E G I V H V L R L H L Q S N H P D D F L F P K L L Q K M A D L R	Q E G I V H V L R L H L Q S N H P D D F L F P K L L Q K M A D L R	Q E G I V H V L R L H L Q S N H P D D F L F P K L L Q K M A D L R	Q E G I V H V L R L H L Q S N H P D D F L F P K L L Q K M A D L R	Q E G I V H V L R L H L Q S N H P D D F L F P K L L Q K M A D L R	Q E G I V H V L R L H L Q S N H P D D F L F P K L L Q K M A D L R	Q E G I V H V L R L H L Q S N H P D D F L F P K L L Q K M A D L R
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FIG. 1

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MVDTESPICP	LSPLEADPLE	SPLSEEFFLQE	MGN1QEQ1SQS	IGEESGGSGF	FTEYQYLGSC	PGSDGSVITD	TLSPPSSPSS	VTPMPGSV	DESPGALNI	100		
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ADLKSIGKRI	FEAYLKNFNM	NKVKARVILIA	GRASNNPPFV	1HDMETLCLMA	EKTLVAK	VNA	NGLQNKAEAV	RFFHCCQQYS	VETVTELTEF	AKAIPGFANL	300	
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DLNQVTLLK	YGVYEATRIM	LSSM	MNKDM	LIAYGNGFIT	REFLNL	RKP	FCD1MEPKFD	FANKFNAEL	DDSDISLFLVA	AIICCGDRPG	LLNQG11EM	400
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QEGIVVHV	HLQSNHPPDDIT	FLFPKLQKM	FLFPKLQKM	FLPQLRQVTEH	AQVQMIKKT	ESDAALHPLL	QEIYRDMYX					469

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